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Inventor: Armando Montalvo

Serial No.: 09/688,609

Filed: October 13, 2000

For: SYSTEM FOR SECURE COMMUNICATIONS

- > After Final Response Transmittal
- > Response to PTO Office Action of 1/27/2005

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PATENT  
Docket No. PD-890304  
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Armando Montalvo  
Serial No. 09/688,609  
Filed: October 13, 2000  
For: SYSTEM FOR SECURE COMMUNICATIONS

Date: March 15, 2005  
Group Art Unit: 2131  
Examiner: Arezoo Sherkat

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Mail Stop AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time for \_\_\_\_\_ months(s) to respond to the Office Action dated \_\_\_\_\_. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of \_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. Extension fee due with this request \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated January 27, 2005. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

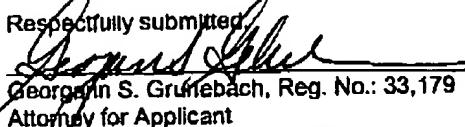
No additional fee for claims is required.

The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED                        |                                     |                                       |                  |           |                   |       |
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|                                          | CLAIMS REMAINING<br>AFTER AMENDMENT | HIGHEST NUMBER<br>PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT<br>EXTRA | RATE      | ADDITIONAL<br>FEE |       |
| TOTAL CLAIMS                             | 10 minus                            | 20* =                                 | 0 x              | \$ 50.00  | \$                | 00.00 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS                       | 2 minus                             | 3** =                                 | 0 x              | \$ 200.00 | \$                | 00.00 |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS                |                                     |                                       | 0 +              | \$ 360.00 | \$                | 00.00 |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: |                                     |                                       |                  |           |                   |       |

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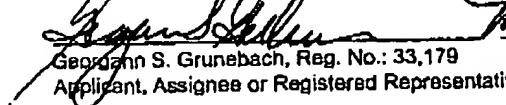
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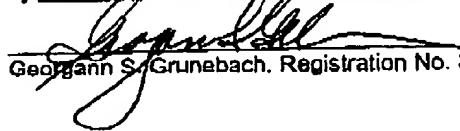
  
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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Commissioner of Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment and Request for Reconsideration in response to the Final Office Action dated January 27, 2005. Applicants submit that the case is in a condition for allowance. However, this response is being submitted within two (2) months should the Examiner deem an Advisory Action appropriate.